Born in San Francisco and raised in that city and in South San Francisco, Tony joined the Navy after high school. He served aboard the destroyer USS *Radford* off Vietnam, and while still in the service, met his future wife Elaine in Honolulu where she was vacationing.

He returned to the Bay Area and, in 1970, became a firefighter in South San Francisco. He was soon promoted to captain, moved on to a division chief position in Campbell, CA, and became fire chief in Santa Cruz in 1981 at the age of 34.

During this time, Tony married Elaine; they had 2 daughters; and Tony earned degrees at the College of San Mateo, the University of San Francisco, and San Jose State University (Masters of Public Administration). Despite his hectic schedule, he made sure he had time for traveling and camping with his family.

In 1985, Tony was hired as Santa Rosa Fire Chief, a job he loved. He worked hard to develop solid relationships with union firefighters, upgrade the engines and equipment, and promote diversity in the department. His friendly, outgoing style suited the city, and he stayed till he retired at the age of 55.

After retirement, Tony continued to enjoy time with family, which grew to include 5 grandchildren. He was a man of wide ranging interests and active disposition who learned languages, played guitar, and studied art through both books and visits to museums.

He is survived by his mother Florene and his brother Rick, as well as his wife, 2 daughters and 5 grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, Tony Pini's passing has left an empty space in the Santa Rosa community, and for his wide circle of friends and his family. We thank Tony for his years of inspirational leadership and appreciate all he has given.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON

HON. MELISSA L. BEAN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 14, 2009

Ms. BEAN. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Village of South Barrington, a town in my district celebrating a milestone anniversary this year. This community has made a unique contribution to the district I represent, and to the State of Illinois.

The Village of South Barrington is celebrating its 50-year anniversary. Into the late 1950s, the area was still largely agricultural. In 1959, a group of property owners saw the need for a local government and came together to form a village. Following incorporation, South Barrington continued to build and develop. A parcel of land was donated to the Audubon Society of Chicago by Alex Stillman in 1976, creating the 80-acre Stillman Nature Center.

Madam Speaker, the Village of South Barrington is unique in its history and adds greatly to the vibrant community of the Eighth District of Illinois. I thank all the past leaders of the Village of South Barrington for their dedication to public service; their community would not have reached this milestone without their hard work and commitment. I congratulate South Barrington for reaching their 50th anniversary and I wish them continued success in the future.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 14, 2009

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, consistent with House Republican Earmark Standards, I am submitting the following earmark disclosure information for project requests that I made and which were included within H.R. 3288, the ''Consolidated Appropriations Act for FY2010.''

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN DUNCAN

Account: Buses & Bus Facilities

Project Amount: $500,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee, Post Office Box 51650, Knoxville, TN 37950

Description of Request: The funding would be used to purchase transit vehicles in order to provide reliable transportation to the residents of Knox County.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. TOM COLE

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 14, 2009

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, as per the requirements of the Republican Conference Rules on earmarks, I secured the following earmark in H.R. 3288.

Requesting Member: Rep. TOM COLE (OK–4)

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Air Force, Military Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Vance AFB

Address of Requesting Entity: Vance, AFB, OK

Description of Request: Construct an air traffic control tower for $10.4 million. The current control tower at Vance AFB was constructed in 1972. The tower is in need of critical upgrades to remain effectively operational and to comply with base architectural standards. New upgrades will allow Vance AFB to continue safe and efficient aerial military operations. The current control tower at Vance AFB was constructed in 1972. The tower is in need of critical upgrades to remain effectively operational and to comply with base architectural standards. New upgrades will allow Vance AFB to continue safe and efficient aerial military operations.

RECOGNIZING THE VILLAGE OF THIRD LAKE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MELISSA L. BEAN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 14, 2009

Ms. BEAN. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Village of Third Lake, a town in my district celebrating a milestone anniversary this year. This community has made a unique contribution to the district I represent, and to the State of Illinois.

The Village of Third Lake is celebrating its 50-year anniversary. The area of Third Lake first saw growth with the development of Sunshine Subdivision in the late 1920s. In 1959, residents of the subdivision incorporated to control the pollution of the lake. Development emerged once again in the 1980s and continues today as Third Lake has grown into a suburban community. Uniquely, Third Lake is also home to the North American headquarters for the Free Serbian Orthodox Church.

Madam Speaker, the Village of Third Lake is unique in its history and adds greatly to the vibrant community of the Eighth District of Illinois. I thank all the past leaders of the Village of Third Lake for their dedication to public service; their community would not have reached this milestone without their hard work and commitment. I congratulate Third Lake for reaching their 50th anniversary and I wish them continued success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO MS. LYNDA DIXON

HON. MARION BERRY

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 14, 2009

Mr. BERRY. Madam Speaker, I rise here today to pay tribute to Lynda Dixon. Her successes are many, but it is her outstanding service to our beloved state that truly sets her apart. I am proud to honor Lynda Dixon for her lifetime of service to her community, our state and our country.

Lynda Dixon was born in Tulare, California and her family moved to Atkins, Arkansas when she was two years old. She is the youngest of four children. She attended Atkins Public Schools and graduated in 1961.

Dixon is retiring from her current position as the Director of Special Services at the Clinton Presidential Library Foundation. Throughout her career, Lynda has been involved in politics. She began her political career in 1976 in Russellville, Arkansas, working for a Prosecuting Attorney. In 1983, she left to serve as personal secretary to Governor Bill Clinton. In 1992 when Governor Clinton was elected President of the United States, she managed his Arkansas office and served as travel companion to his mother, the late Virginia Kelley. Lynda began working for the Clinton Presidential Foundation in 2001.

Dixon remains active with the Arkansas Democratic Party and is a lifetime member of the Arkansas Democratic Women and Senior Democrats of Arkansas. She is also a past-member of the Board of Directors of United Cerebral Palsy; volunteers with the Arkansas Foodbank Network; is a member of Volunteers in Public Schools; served on the Partners in Education Committee sponsored by the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce; mentors at Clinton Elementary Magnet School and is often fundraising for political and charitable organizations she supports. She is a member of Second Baptist Church and McKinney/Maloch Sunday School Class.

Lynda Dixon embodies the values of service, leadership and commitment to community that has made our state and our nation the